

CHILDREN AND YOUTH COMMISSION

(Statutory)

CREATING AUTHORITY: Adopted on February 11, 1998 by Ordinance No. 1998-7. Amended on March 28, 2001 by Ordinance No. 2001-7; Amended on March 28, 2012 by Ordinance 2012-15.

MEMBERS: The Mayor, with the consent of the city council, shall appoint seven members to the commission.

QUALIFICATIONS: All members of the commission shall reside in the county of Santa Fe and shall be actively involved with children or youth issues. Members of the Commission shall broadly represent all areas concerned with the healthy development of children and youth from birth through the age of twenty-one.

TERMS: Of the original appointees two commissioners shall serve terms of one year; two shall serve terms of two years; and three shall serve terms of three years; thereafter, commissioners shall be appointed for terms of three years. The commission shall elect the chairperson, organize and adopt administrative rules and procedures necessary to accomplish its purpose.

VACANCIES: Filled by the Mayor, with consent of the city council.

REMOVAL: After three consecutive unexcused absences, a commission member shall be automatically removed by the chairperson.

MEETING TIMES: 4th Tuesday of the month, 6:00 p.m.
Except for November & December (2nd Tuesday)-No meeting in July

STAFF LIAISON: Chris Sanchez, Children and Youth Program Manager
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CREATION; POWERS AND DUTIES:

- A. There is created the "children and youth commission," hereinafter referred to as the "commission." The commission shall be advisory to the governing body and shall initiate, sponsor or otherwise create, along or in cooperation with other public or private agencies, programs that enhance and further the development and education of Santa Fe's children.

- B. In accomplishing its tasks, the commission shall survey and assess the needs of the children and youth within the city of Santa Fe; identify and recommend to the governing body existing legislation, policies and programs that promote the healthy development of young people; determine priorities for program development; advocate in the community on behalf of children and youth; and plan short and long range improvements for young people, from birth through the age of twenty-one. The commission shall make a recommendation to the governing body for the use of the children and youth fund for children and youth programs as set forth in Section 18-14 SFCC 1987.
(Ord. # 1998-7, §; 1; Ord. #2001-7, §1)

STAFF:

- A. The Commission shall have a full-time paid children and youth professional to administer the program and other staff as deemed necessary. The children and youth staff shall manage the children and youth fund, staff the commission, administer the grants to children and youth programs, and work with others in the community to plan, coordinate and fund activities, programs and services that promote the healthy development of children and youth.